CRS HISTORICAL REVIEW
Interview Guide

Date 10 May 1968

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Name [redacted]

***Activity** ACQ. BR - CIA LIBRARY
Nov. 1964 - May 1967 1955-64

Years in CRS 13
EOD JULY 1955

Years in this activity 3+

1. **Activity Files** (description and location):

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ACQ. B. Monthly Report files should be helpful - should be in Branch or PMS - see [redacted] for current locations. [redacted] prior Walter transfer.

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2. **Historical Papers** (chronologies, historical segments, key personnel lists, special collections):

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25X1A9a [redacted] = ([redacted] in [redacted] - project - files should be in [redacted] - interesting: first time CRS had man overseas under contract (from July 1965 - Sept 1967).

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[redacted] wrote 1-2 page summaries on Acq. Br. re History of development of operation

> Agreements between CIA and State re acquisitions

Branch Reorganizations papers

25X1X8

25X1X8 [redacted] Geographic attaches with PPOs [redacted] correspondence

Library Consultant's Report - [redacted] served on a task team

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25X1A9a [redacted] Study - includes chronology of CRS -

IG Survey of 1964

3. **Special Topics** (Intellofax, DARE, etc. Potential writers or contributors?):

> Changing philosophy re dependence on State exclusively for procurement versus going outside to commercial & other means.

Relations with State Dept through the years & current status.

PROC IB

Changes in Philosophy on Library - from output to input - from intellofax/machine support classified docs. in library service to open literature only - more like standard outside library.

Open Source Publications as sources of intelligence.

4. **Special Knowledge of Other Activities or Programs** (Availability to contribute or write short papers?):

* Prepare separate paper for each major activity.

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5. **General History of CRS** (suggestions, useful papers, possible contributions or "think pieces"):

6. **Other Resource Persons** (in CRS, elsewhere in Agency, retired):

25X1A9a [redacted] acq. Br.
— Library

7. **Miscellaneous:**

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Name [redacted] *Activity Liaison

Years in CRS 15 yrs. Years in this activity 15 (– 2 yrs out to O) variety of L/S assignments

1. **Activity Files** (description and location):

Non-USIB file to [redacted] 25X1X8
USIB files in IRS

2. **Historical Papers** (chronologies, historical segments, key personnel lists, special collections):

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Folders on Briefing & Debriefing Prog.
Watts will ask [redacted] re files
25X1X8
copy of [redacted] in files
left with me
Material in Records Center or ~~ett~~ OD.

2 folders – ~~wants returned~~ select items or retain – or return to [redacted]
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3. **Special Topics** (Intellofax, DARE, etc. Potential writers or contributors?):

25X1A9a [redacted] – Head of Defense Br. of L/S.
*Collection Effort – CRS Reports – later went to Washington Field Ofc. ~~Ante~~ were antecedents of OO reports on Cont. sources.
Transfer of Requirements & Dissem. out of L/S → Doc. Div.
Travel Folder Program — IR

4. **Special Knowledge of Other Activities or Programs** (Availability to contribute or write short papers?):

Briefing & Debriefing Program. Watts top knowledge on. [redacted] glad to cooperate.

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5. **General History of CRS** **(suggestions, useful papers, possible contributions or "think pieces"):**

opening up of USSR in 50's - I/S worked with cultural exchange people, etc.

Recent decline in "services of common concern" concept. Important turning point.

Reorganization - climax

6. **Other Resource Persons** **(in CRS, elsewhere in Agency, retired):**

25X1A9a [redacted] - In #1 [redacted] 25X1X8
- Collection - excellent job.
- IR - admin staff.

25X1A9a [redacted] - I/S

7. **Miscellaneous:**

State transfer of BR & NIS resp. to CIA worked out w/a section of IR - then came the Cuban Missile crisis.

will ask [redacted] and get in touch with me.

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Name [redacted] ***Activity** Intellofax - IPI

Years in CRS 20 **Years in this activity** 20 Intellf.
15 IPI

1. **Activity Files** (description and location):

Drawer-full of papers on IPI, indexing, intellofax, etc.

2. **Historical Papers** (chronologies, historical segments, key personnel lists, special collections):

Ann. kept chronol. since beginning of Intellofax & IPI
Has a drawer-full of hist. records 1947-68
Rest thrown away.
Minutes of AHIP (here?)
Working Group on ISC
(submitted chrono. to me)

Papers on Minicard in OO files? Costs?
[redacted] or Applics
25X1A9a

3. **Special Topics** (Intellofax, DARE, etc. Potential writers or contributors?):

Minicard experiment, 1959 Team of 7 - 1 yr.
25X1A9a ([redacted] could do but not on team)
Automation Group (after above rejected in '60)
25X1A9a [redacted])
25X1A9a
AHIP/CODIB ([redacted]) see para 7.
CRAG - Borel

4. **Special Knowledge of Other Activities or Programs** (Availability to contribute or write short papers?):

CHIVE - 1 yr.
Dissem. - '56 - '62
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Press Clipping Service '50'51 up to '56 - [redacted]

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5. **General History of CRS** (suggestions, useful papers, possible contributions or "think pieces"):

Trends in LY especially – catalog
~~Pres~~
Acquisitions – FDD → LY – FDD – CRS.
FDD interlude
Interagency activity – Borel
CHIVE early 60's

6. **Other Resource Persons** (in CRS, elsewhere in Agency, retired):

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[redacted] on Dissem.
– SR & FID (c. 20 yrs.)
– Graphics & IR
– guidance consultant to OCS –
{ early machine div.

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[redacted] – in NPIC – was early LY.

7. **Miscellaneous:**

BR Pubs. e.g. SMOS | Relations SR & NPIC in early days – origin.
ISC etc.

Coordination with other agencies in 50's

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Index to Iron book series – under [redacted]

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* [redacted] was first in LY with
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[redacted]

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[redacted] then in IR.

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Name [redacted]

*Activity BR (part of Ref. Center) '47 (ORE)
SR Aug. 1960 -
— Jul 59 - Jul 60 - War College Carlisle.

Years in CRS Aug. 47 - Mar. 67

Years in this activity Acting Deputy at times.

1. **Activity Files** (description and location):

2. **Historical Papers** (chronologies, historical segments, key personnel lists, special collections):

Annual Reports
25X1A9a [redacted] Monthlies
25X1A9a [redacted] papers at Army War College "Person to Person" bound.
25X1A9a → [redacted] study on ~~transfer of BR function~~ CIA & support of State & terminating on BR pol. activity. (see Files)

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3. **Special Topics** (Intellofax, DARE, etc. Potential writers or contributors?):

Indexing Systems - BR. [redacted] proposal - [redacted] "refusal"
25X1A9a → * [redacted] position paper sent to Andrews. (~~49~~-51)
Atoms for Peace Cards,
Moscow Tel. Directory
Intellofax card - used with "who's who card"
Bibliographic Activity - Large collection

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4. **Special Knowledge of Other Activities or Programs** (Availability to contribute or write short papers?): [redacted] (formerly statist div.)

→ * SR - Took over from
Aug. 60 Good files on Radio Sta. Branch.
25X1A9a Reorg. of SR. Nov. 60 * [redacted] paper by W. H. [redacted] 25X1A9a
FDD - merger was not good for CRS - benefit to FDD.
FOIAb3b1 [redacted] & FDD shd have been merged years ago. [redacted] 25X1A6a

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5. **General History of CRS** (suggestions, useful papers, possible contributions or "think pieces"):

Grade structure of CRS low cf. with
other DDI offices -
CRS was a "support" function.

Influence of personalities on organization
Computer applications.
Unsettling influence on CHIVE
Rise & Decline of need for
industrial info.

6. **Other Resource Persons** (in CRS, elsewhere in Agency, retired):

[redacted] (DDS) early OCD)

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7. **Miscellaneous:**

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Remarks:

Walter:

attached are our notes on our chat with [redacted]

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Thanks —
Am sending [redacted]
my notes, too,
Jim

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